

## REDEDICATION CEREMONIES AT RESTORED FATHER PANDOSY MISSION

Among the major projects undertaken to commemorate the One Hundredth Anniversary of Service to God in British Columbia was the restoration of the Okanagan Mission at Kelowna, founded by Oblate pioneer Charles Pandosy, O.M.I.<sup>1</sup>

Okanagan timepieces were momentarily turned back 100 years in ceremonies and addresses marking the official rededication of the first permanent white settlement in the valley, the Immaculate Conception Mission. Okanagan has officially taken its place of honor among the several museum pieces in British Columbia.

How the forgotten and neglected mission property was recovered by the Oblates and how the relics of Father Pandosy's tireless efforts were almost lost forever is a story in itself. The repurchase was made only two weeks before the mission's three dilapidated buildings were due to be burned as useless. The Congregation owes its thanks to....

### SEVEN MEN AND A MISSION

In the late spring of 1954, Norman Carter, 39-year-old salesman for the Eaton Company of Canada, Ltd., set out from Vancouver on what was scheduled to be

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<sup>1</sup> Born at Marseilles, Nov. 21, 1824; studied at the college of Bourbon d'Arles and the juniorate of N.D. de Lumieres; entered novitiate of N.D. de l'Osier on Aug. 14, 1844; pronounced perpetual vows before the Founder on Aug. 15, 1847; first obedience to the Oregon missions in 1847; priest at Walla-Walla from Jan. 2, 1848; died at Penticton on Feb. 9, 1891.